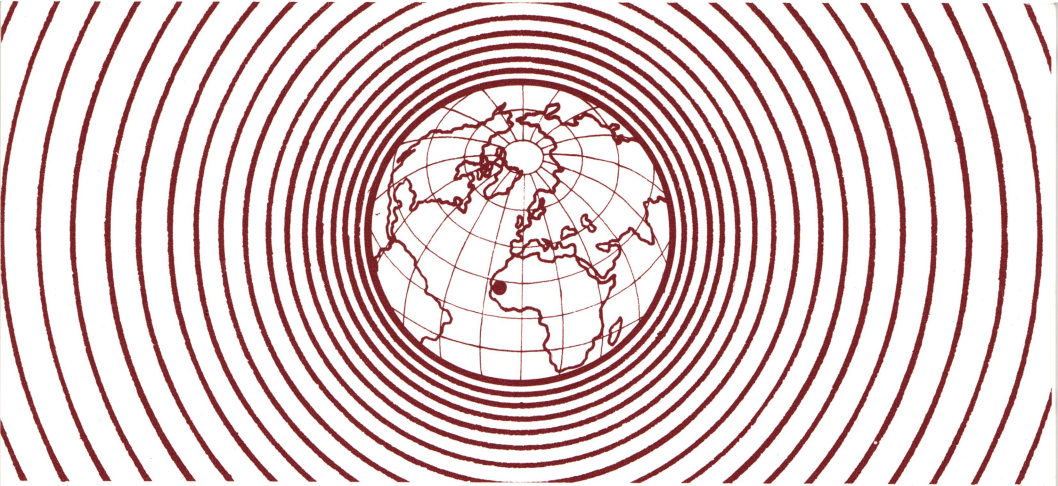

FAMOUS Evoe CAPACITORS

ZD3X THE GAMBIA

TO RADIO W9YT

BATHURST, THE GAMBIA, WEST AFRICA

October, 1972	GMT	BAND – MHz	RST	MODE
28 ☒ 29 ☐	1217	3,5 ☐ 7 ☐ 14 ☐ 21 ☒ 28 ☐	57	2 x SSB

EQUIPMENT:
4 x YAESU FTDX570
4 x DRAKE R4B
ELECTRO-VOICE MIC.

HY-GAIN ANTENNAS

10	103 BA	3 el.
15	153 BA	3 el.
20	203 BA	3 el.
40	14AVQ	Gp
80	Dipole	

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CQ World Wide DX Contest 1972 was a big event. It was something that we had been dreaming for years. At the distance of 4000 miles, separated by tens of intermediate landings lies the land worth of transporting 650 lbs of radio gear. In this country weather and radio conditions are completely opposite to those in our own country.

Hotel Fajara, Bathurst, The Gambia was changed for these two days into a major radio station about which the locals still talk. The temperature was above 100° F and the radio conditions in absolute peak. Hy-Gain beams glittered in the burning sun of the Equator. In the atmosphere there was haunting the feeling of a world championship race.

Hereby we wish to express our deep gratitude to the personnel of the hotel enlarge and especially to the service staff that made us feel very comfortable. A great deal of credit goes to the local hams Mike ZD3M and Cecil ZD3D and his charming XYL Dorine who took care of the numerous special arrangements.